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1. General

The report summarizes military intelligence on the Baltic MD, segregated as to troops (Part I) and supply installations (Par II).

2. VILNYUS Area

(a) By connection with previous information attempt was made to identify the Soviet and Lithuanian units stationed in barracks in the VILNYUS area.

(b) This report gives a 155th MVD Regt, VILNYUS. There is no pertinent information available except that a regiment with the same numerical designation was identified under the Thirty-Second Army on the Finnish and Leningrad Front in 1942.

3 Annexes:

- (1) Ammunition Dump of LOCHSTAEDT near PILLAU
- (2) Motor Vehicle Park and Fuel Depot Southeast of RIGA
- (3) Military Installations in RIGA.

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- 1 - Soviet Troops in the Baltic MD

1 Town or Area	2 Date:	3 a. Interrogator: b. Source:	4 Installations:	5 Locations:	6 Occupation:	7 Remarks: 25X1X
KOENIGSBERG (R 55/W 66) Area	1947 to March 1949		1. Grenadier Kaserne (seven four-story about 200 feet long brick buildings, 1 garage, 2 destroyed kaserne buildings)	East of Cranzer Allee, north of Kanonnenweg	Naval school, as the German PW camp manager stated. A captain (Nav) was the ranking officer at the school, the activities of which were restricted to theoretical instruc- tion	Another [redacted] told inter- rogator (D) that he reportedly observed T 34 tank units in the city area between early 1949 and late March 1949. He also observed light artil- lery units (horse-drawn and motorized) and medium and heavy artillery units
			2. Polizei Kaserne (one 650 feet long four-story brick building and 2 or 3 300 feet long four-story build- ings)	Northwest of the Northern Railroad Station	a. Driver school for Soviet Army and Navy NCOs and EM. b. Police unit of 150 to 200 men, wearing red-bordered blue caps	Fellow PWs stated that a rocket launcher unit of regimental strength was also stationed in KOENIGS- BERG
			3. Flak Kaserne (four four-story brick buildings, mess & club build- ing and several other buildings farther to the rear)	At the south- east city exit on the north side of Neuen- dorferstrasse	No information	
			4. Large two-story 330 feet long building	At the south- east city exit, on the west side of Schoenflieser Allee, southeast of a tar plant	Presumably a tank work- shop, since damaged ar- mored vehicles were parked in front of it.	

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POWAYEN (about 12 miles north- west of KONIGSBERG)	March 1949		Military quarters (former German Air Force hospital, 3 multiple-story, 200x50-foot build- ings, 2 three-story 50x25-foot adminis- tration buildings, 1 420 feet long garage all buildings having the Red Cross marking on their roofs)	Exact location unknown	The installation was designated "naval school". A Soviet construction unit moved into the build- ings in March 1949. Re- construction work was performed under the super- vision of Soviet naval officers.	
PILLAU (Q 55/Z 25)	April 1948		1. Skagerrak Kaserne (one five-story building, officer mess & club, water tower, 1 large de- stroyed building)	Immediately west of the PILLAU railroad station	Hq of the Baltic Fleet	Confirms previous report *
			2. Artillerie Kaserne (1 five- story brick building)	Bordering on the Skagerrak Kaserne to the northeast	A naval unit of 300 to 400 recruits who under- went a three-month basic training	
	April 1948		Kurfuersten Kaserne	About 1/2 mile northeast of PILLAU, on the highway to KONIGSBERG	Infantry unit of about 1,000 troops. Apart from the Kaserne cadre person- nel, the troops were fre- quently exchanged. Young soldiers mostly trained in formations of platoon and squad strength	Confirms previous report *
			3. Former citadel	Southwest of the Skagerrak Kaserne	Unit of unknown branch of service and strength Recruits were trained.	The PW camp which had been located in the Kaserne area was dissolved in April 1948

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Tap TAPIAU (R 55/V 05) area	Summer of 1947		Cantonment (100x 30-foot cantonment buildings in the woods)	About 6 miles north-northeast of TAPIAU, imme- diately east of the Deime River	The cantonment appeared to be heavily occupied by infantry and artillery troops. More than 50 guns of medium caliber were observed on the parking lot.	
TILSIT (R 56/Q 50)	1948 to March 1949		1. Kaserne (four four-story 500x65-foot brick buildings)	Immediately east of the railroad station	Tank unit with T 34 tanks, heavier tanks and armored reconnaissance cars, alleged- ly half-tracks	
			2. Kaserne (2 four-story brick buildings)	West of the railroad station	An artillery unit with rubber- tired guns of about 150 mm caliber, pulled by tractors. Guns on track-laying mounts, pulled by tractors, were also observed in the city area.	
VILNYUS (A(J)86)	1945 to 22 March 1949		1. Barracks (two brick build- ings)	City center About 800 feet east of a dilap- idated castle, south of the exit road to NOVY VILEYA (about six miles east of VILNYUS) immediately east of a brook	Not occupied in March 1949	
			2. Barracks (called "Lithuanian Barracks")	On the eastern city perimeter south of the exit road to NOVY VILEYA	Occupied by an MVD officer candidate school	According to previous report ** the 261st MVD Regt is stationed there

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VILNIUS (continued)			3. Barracks	On the northern city perimeter about two miles northeast of the dilapidated castle	No information on occupation	
			4. Small cantonment (cantonment buildings with roofs of corrugated sheet metal)	City quarter north of the Vilya River about 2,000 feet northeast of the dilapidated castle	Occupied by a unit with 37-mm antiaircraft guns, observed when training.	
1945 to March 1949	25X1X		1. Barracks (called "Lithuanian Garrison", 12 large brick buildings)	On the northern city perimeter	a. A tank unit in regimental strength, as fellow PWs stated. The unit moved by the PW camp when going to the 1948 October review. The unit had about 70 T-34 and T-43 tanks. It was subordinate to a Soviet general who was billeted in the building of a former PW camp. b. An infantry unit of about regimental strength. The unit participated with 800 to 1,000 troops in the 1948 October review.	Possibly a component unit of the 16th (Lithuanian) Rifle Div.
			2. Barracks	Northern city sector, near the stadium	AAA units; about 20 guns of about 80 mm caliber were observed in the barracks area.	25X1C
						Another [redacted] told interrogator (B) that he observed an AAA spare parts depot in the southeast city section, immediately east of the barracks and east of a small river in July 1948. The depot was guarded by soldiers of an AAA unit.

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VILNIUS (continued)			1. Military quarters (one four-story, about 200 feet long brick building, for- mer PW Camp No 71 95/2)	About 1/2 mile north of the city, near the automobile plant, east of the barracks occupied by tank troops	Occupied by one general about 30 officers and four women physicians.	Another general, belonging to an MVD headquarters (Hq of the 14th MVD Div ?), was also observed in the building.
	25X1X		1. Barracks	Northwest of the A guard battalion of old castle, imme- about 250 troops and diately east of a en athletic school for brook and south officers of the Vilya River		25X1X Another PW told inter- rogator (C) that the caserne immediately east of the brook was occupied by an MVD guard battalion (red-bordered blue visor caps) in 1947.
1946 to July 1948			2. Old barracks	North of the guard battalion barracks on the northern bank of the Vilya River	Motor transport and main- tenance unit	Equipped with 4 76.2-mm anti- tank guns, 4 or 6 heavy mortars, 5 short-barreled 37-mm AA guns, old and new small arms. Alleged- ly a component unit of the 155th MVD Regt.
			3. Barracks	On the north- ern city peri- meter, north of the sta- dium	Tank unit with T 34 tanks and self-propelled guns and a regimental headquarters	Allegedly a Lithuanian unit, pos- sibly a component unit of the 16th (Lithuanian) Rifle Div.
Until the spring of 1948			Military quarters (large 260x210-foot block with inner court, with a main building and uti- lities buildings)	City center on Traka Street, corner of Pili- mino Street, with the main front facing Pilimino Street	Designated officer candi- date school. The con- struction work was com- pleted in the spring of 1948	
LEPAYA (A/P 96)	Until March 1949		Barracks (three - story brick building)	On the west- ern edge of the harbor basin, opposite the shipyard.	Called "Naval Barracks"	25X1X Another PW confirmed to inter- rogator (D) that a new barracks of three-story brick buildings was located on the harbor basin near the shipyard in July 1948. The barracks were occupied by naval units with seamen receiving basic infantry training.

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DANGAVPILS (A(E)79)	Until late March 1949		Bulzenin Barracks	Northern city sector	a. An infantry unit of regimental strength, with about 800 troops, equipped with machine guns, car- bines, horse-drawn vehi- cles and some trucks. b. A Latvian militia unit of about 400 men, equipped with about 10 horse-drawn guns of about 50-mm cali- ber	
	Until February 1947		Barracks (four three-story, 230x 80 foot brick buildings)	East of the railroad line leading from the main station to the north- ern RR station, about 1,600 feet east of the RR car re- pair plant located in the area of the marshaling yard	Unidentified troops. RR cars with searchlight equipment were repeated- ly unloaded at the bar- racks up to mid-May 1946.	
REZERNE (B(V)16)	Until late 1947		Two barracks	Near the main RR station, bordering on a brewery	An infantry unit and a Soviet Air Force unit, as fellow PWs stated.	

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II Soviet Supply Installations in the Baltic MD

KALININGRAD
(R 55/266)
area

March 1949

Ordnance park
(guns sheltered
under lean-to
roofs on 1,000
x1,300-foot
area)

Immediately
southwest of
"SCHONFLIES"
(about 3 miles
southeast of
KONIGSBERG)

About 400 guns, mostly being
AA guns of about 100 mm cali-
ber. Incoming shipments of
guns were unloaded at the RR
station about 1 1/2 miles north-
west of SCHONFLIES. No out-
going shipments were observed.
The breech mechanism of some of
the guns were stored separately
in boxes.

Early
1948

Ordnance park
(about 40 260x
65 and 130x65-
foot storage
houses built of
round timber,
spur track)

Immediately
west of WIT-
TENBERG; about
9 miles south-
southeast of
KONIGSBERG,
on the RR line
to PR. BYLAU
(R 52/Z 75())

AT guns of 37 mm caliber, guns of
100 to 150 mm caliber, captured
and dismantled equipment from
Germany

PILLAU
area1945 to
May 1949

Fuel depot (former
German underground
installations spur
track)

About 1,600
feet southeast
of PILLAU, in
the southern
slope of Schwal-
ben Hill

No information on stock level
and capacity. RR tank cars dis-
charged fuel into fuel containers
constructed by PWs at the depot
entrance (archway). The fuel was
then pumped to the depot.

August
1945

Ammunition dump
(in woods, well-
camouflaged)

About 2,000
feet west of the
PILLAU-KONIGS-
BERG highway,
about 1 1/2 miles
northeast of the
sanatorium for
children, about
2,300 feet from
the seashore
(see Annex 1)

PWs were working in one ammunition
bunker. Other bunker-like heaps of
earth were located in the woods,
but could not be examined.

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KAUNAS (S 55/W 88)	October 1948		Ordinance park (numerous brick buildings in the woods, barbed-wire fence, old fortifi- cation built during Czarist times)	East of the main RR sta- tion, south of the tunnel	Very large number of mortars, AT guns, AA guns and field guns, also guns of very heavy calibers and captured German guns. Ammu- nition and fuel was alleg- edly stored in other build- ings	FW secured information by personnel observation and from talks of fellow PWs. *
VILNIUS	Until March 1949		Large repair shop (former German Army motor park on a 1,000x1,300-foot area)	North of the city, on the northern exit road, near the bar- racks occupied by a tank unit	Repair and assembly of old motor vehicles. Monthly output: More than 100 motors, about 90 trucks. Work force: About 200 German PWs and 50 Soviet civilians.	(see *) Soviets stated that the motor vehicles belonged to the army. The troops in the nearby bar- racks were referred to as Lithuanian Div by the Soviets. Another FW [redacted] confirmed to interrogator (F) that no new motor vehicles were manu- factured in the shop in March 1949. The motor vehicles under repair belonged to Soviet units in the VILNIUS area. The shop had no spur track. It was run by Capt (MVD) ROKOVSKI.
LEPAYA area	Summer of 1948		Restricted area	About 6 miles northeast of the VILNIUS RR Sta- tion in a woods immediately east of the LEPAYA-VENTS. RAIL highway, south of the MATRAS village	Restricted area. Referred to as ex munition depot by Soviet assistant drivers. No detailed information was secured.	
PIGA area	May 1949		1. Motor park (motor vehicles scattered in the woods on a 800x 650-foot area sur- rounded by a barbed- wire fence)	About 12 miles southeast of the city perime- ter, about 1 1/2 miles northeast of the RR line	About 350 former German motor vehicles, part of them having only minor damages.	

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RIGA area (continued)			2. Fuel depot (20 to 25 fuel con- tainers, each 40 feet long and 13 feet in diameter, semi-under- ground, covered with sod, on a 650-foot square area surround- ed by a barbed-wire fence, spur track	Bordering on the motor park to the northeast (see Annex 2)	No detailed informa- tion was secured. Two fellow PWs stated that fuel for the RIGA air- field was picked up twice a day.	
April 1949	25X1X		1. Storage site (four sheds on a 165x2,000-foot area)	Industrial area south of "Mil- Ditch" between the Dvina River and Stint Lake (No. 1 on Annex 3)	Naval equipment, anti-submarine nets, bouys with chains, practice torpedoes	The site was guarded by a naval detail of about 100 men.
			2. Ration supply depot (four 100x 32-foot brick buildings)	No. 2 on Annex 3	Ration supply depot of the Soviet Navy, is- suanee of supplies to naval vessels	
			3. Ammunition dump	No. 3 on Annex 3	Captured ammunition, 88-mm antiaircraft shells, rifle ammu- nition, ammunition for infantry guns. Maintenance work was performed by PWs.	
			4. One shed	No. 4 on Annex 3	Sheltering a trans- versible turret mount- ing 2 guns of 200 to 300 mm caliber.	

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RIBA area (continued)			5. Fuel depot (former German Army fuel station "East", 6 to 8 fuel containers, each 26 feet in diameter) and 26 feet high)	No 5 on Annex 3	No detailed information was secured	
			6. Tank repair shop (two 260x 50x30-foot build- ings with barrel- like roofs, sur- rounded by trees)	Northeast city sector of RIBA, southwest of the CIENKURCALNS RR station (c on Annex 3)	Soviet soldiers were observed doing maintenance work on tanks.	
			7. Military quar- ters (concealed in woods, red brick buildings and green camouflage build- ings)	Southwestern part of "Kaiserwald" (No 6 on Annex 3)	Some T 34 tanks were parked near the camouflaged buildings. Possibly occu- pied by a tank maintenance unit.	
			8. Fuel depot (spur track, about 330 feet long wooden loading ramp)	Southwestern part of Kaiserwald (No 7 on Annex 3)	Numerous stand pipes along the loading ramp. No above ground fuel containers were available.	
			9. Ordnance repair shop	Southwestern part of Kaiserwald (No 8 on Annex 3)	Former German ordnance repair train LIEAU with 3 repair shop cars equipped with modern ma- chinery. Soviet soldiers worked in the RR cars.	
			1. Ordnance dump (about 10 supported wooden roofs, 65 feet from the road)	In a small woods about 1 1/2 miles east of the city perimeter, on the northern side of the extension of Biker- niscu Street (a on Annex 3)	About 100 AA guns of about 80 mm caliber	The PW believed that more gun shel- ters may be located farther in the woods.

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January
1948

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RIGA area
(continued)

Until August
1947

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2. Ammunition dump
(about 10 supported
wooden roofs)

Opposite the ord-
nance dump on the
other side of Bi-
kernieku Street
(see b on Annex 3)

Wooden boxes, resembling
ammunition boxes

Large motor vehicle
repair shop (nume-
rous work shops and
assembly shops, ad-
ministration build-
ing, surrounded by
a 62-foot board
fence)

Northwest of the
bridge across the
Dvina River, on
Beugevgriva Street

Output: 5 motor vehi-
cles were daily overhauled.
Workforce: 150 German
PWs, 80 civilians and 60
soldiers of a technical
unit. The work was per-
formed in 2 shifts. The
shop was run by a Soviet
major.

The PW believed that motor
vehicles of the RIGA military
post were repaired there.

Until April
1947

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Ordnance repair
shop (old Latvian
"Arsenal" with
large brick build-
ings on a 1,300x2,000-
foot area, near track

Southwest city
sector, south of
Lepaya Street,
north of the RR
line to TUKUMS

Heavy A T guns of a
caliber larger than
88-mm, with muzzle
brake, split-trail gun
carriage, iron wheels
with rubber tires, were
repaired. About 200 ser-
viceable guns were parked
in the shop area. Out-
going shipments by rail.
Work force: 250 German
PWs and more than 250
civilians.

Entered as "Reichsarsenal" (re-
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tary-geographical map in the scale
of 1:25,000.
For further data see previous
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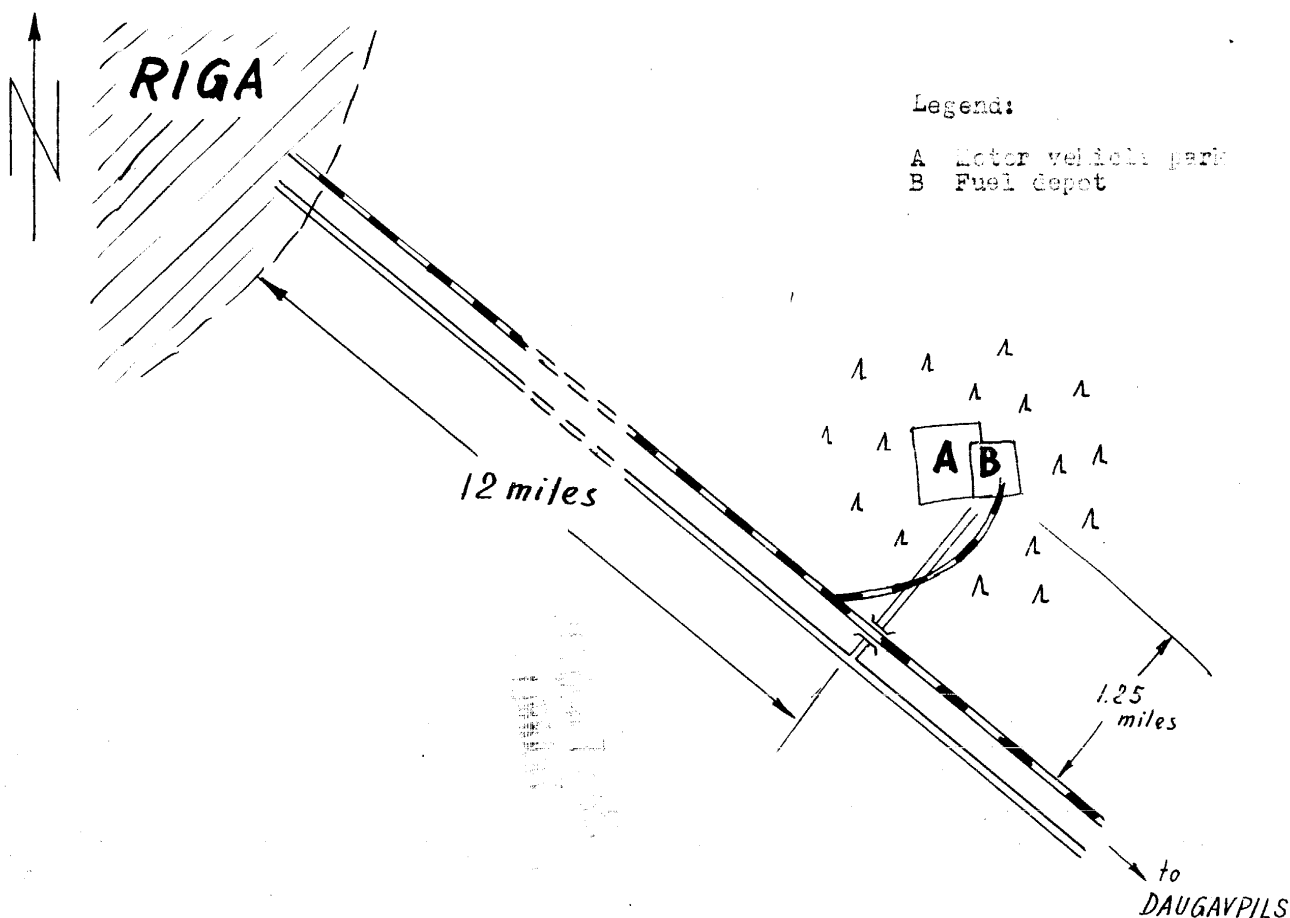
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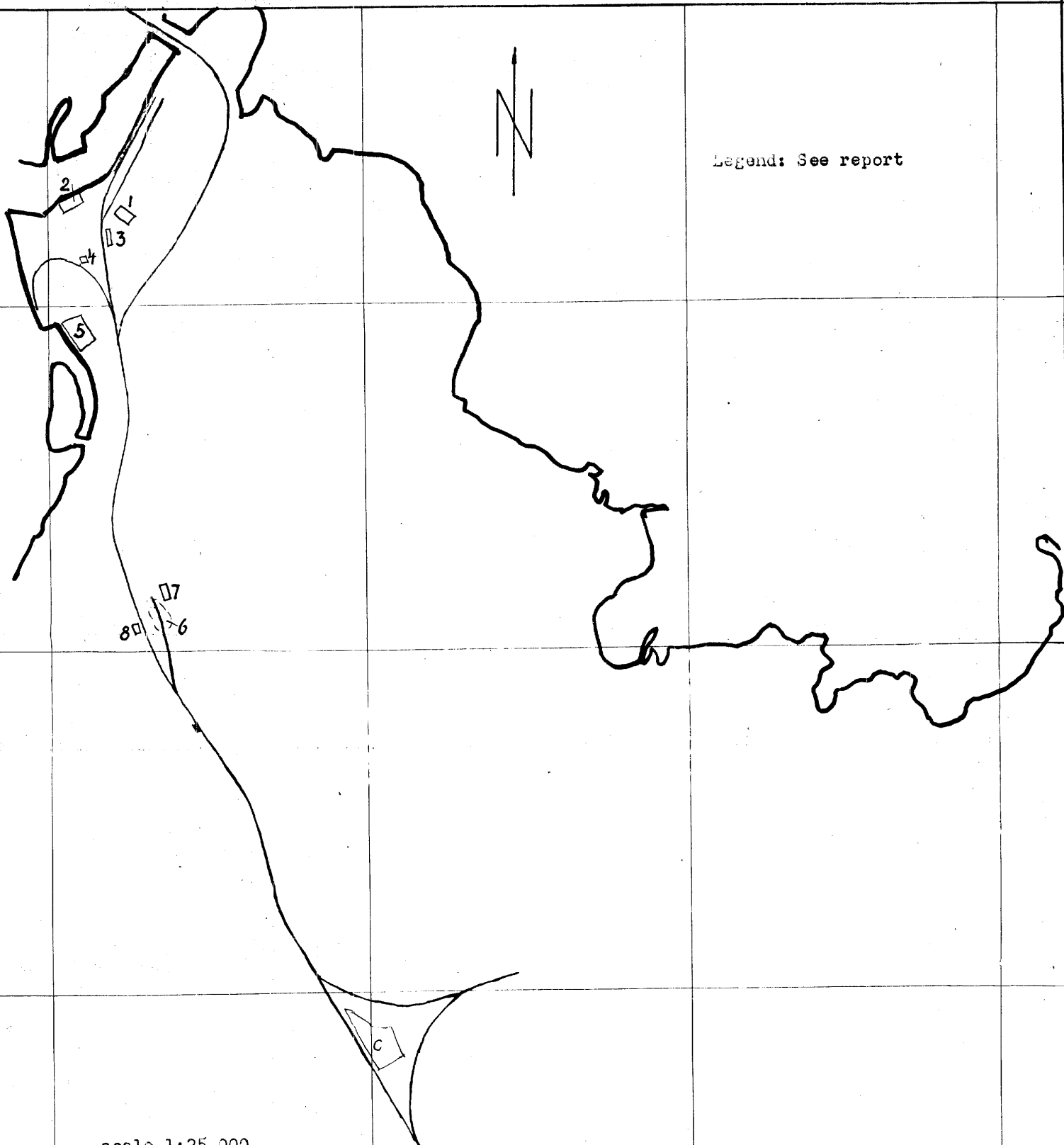


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Military Installations in RIGA



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AMMUNITION DUMP OF LOCHSTADT NEAR PILLAU

